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Tadayuki SUZUKI et al. Conf.:

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For:

FRESHNESS-KEEPING AGENT FOR PLANTS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

December 31, 2002

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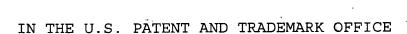
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated October 8, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 3-5 and 21-26 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the following claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A plant freshness-keeping composition comprising at least one surfactant (A), wherein said surfactant has a sugar structure or a sugar alcohol structure, and at least one selected from the group consisting of a sugar (B), a plant hormone